

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A cooking device, comprising:

an input configured to receive information regarding at least one of a geographic location of the cooking device and a selectable operating language of the cooking device;

a control ~~and/or~~ or regulating unit configured to implement a predetermined cooking program or a predetermined cooking mode of operation using at least one cooking parameter that is adapted to be preset for the predetermined cooking program or predetermined cooking mode of operation, the cooking parameter having a value that reflects at least one of the geographic location of the cooking device and the selectable operating language of the cooking device, wherein the value of the cooking parameter defines an environmental cooking condition inside the cooking device for the predetermined cooking program or predetermined cooking mode of operation; and

a control element communicatively connected to the input and the control ~~and/or~~ or regulating unit, the control element including at least one modification function element and at least one confirmation ~~and/or~~ or storage function element,

the modification function element being operable to modify the preset cooking parameter; and

the confirmation ~~and/or~~ or storage function element being operable by an operator of the cooking device to affirmatively confirm, accept, ~~and/or~~ or store the modified cooking parameter during a predetermined time period, wherein the modified cooking parameter is confirmed, accepted, or stored by the cooking device through (1) operation of the confirmation or storage function element by the operator during the predetermined time period, and (2) if the predetermined time period has elapsed and the operator has not operated the confirmation or storage function element with regard to the modified cooking parameter, the cooking device automatically confirms, accepts, or stores the modified cooking parameter.

wherein the control element is configured to receive information via the input and to automatically preset the cooking parameter as a function of the geographic location of the cooking device ~~and/or as a function of a selected operating language of the cooking device.~~

2. (Currently amended) The cooking device according to Claim 1, wherein the control element is further configured to adjust the predetermined time period.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Previously presented) The cooking device according to Claim 1, further comprising predetermined unchangeable limits within which the at least one modification function element is configured to modify the cooking parameter.

5-18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently amended) The cooking device according to Claim 1, wherein the cooking device includes a plurality of cooking parameters and the control element is configured to preset all of the cooking parameters as a function of the location of the cooking device ~~and/or the selected operating language of the cooking device.~~

20. (Previously presented) The cooking device according to Claim 2, wherein the predetermined time period is approximately one second to approximately thirty seconds after the last activation of the control element.

21. (Currently amended) The cooking device according to Claim 4, wherein the predetermined unchangeable limits are preset based on the location of the cooking device ~~and/or the selected operating language of the cooking device.~~

22. (Previously presented) The cooking device according to Claim 1, wherein the input comprises a locating system that is configured to automatically detect the location of the cooking device.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Previously presented) The cooking device according to Claim 22, wherein the control element is configured to automatically preset the cooking parameter as a function of the location detected by the locating system.

25. (Canceled)

26. (Previously presented) The cooking device according to Claim 1, wherein the geographic location of the cooking device is a country-specific location.

27. (Currently amended) The cooking device according to Claim 1, wherein the confirmation ~~and/or~~ or storage function element is operable to automatically confirm, accept, ~~and/or~~ or store the modified cooking parameter after the predetermined time period lapses.

28. (Previously presented) The cooking device according to Claim 1, wherein the environmental cooking condition is at least one of temperature, humidity, and time of cooking.

29. (Previously presented) The cooking device according to Claim 1, wherein the modification function element is at least one of a dial, display, and a touch screen.

30. (New) A cooking device, comprising:
an input configured to receive information regarding at least one of a geographic location of the cooking device and a selectable operating language of the cooking device;
a control or regulating unit configured to implement a predetermined cooking program or a predetermined cooking mode of operation using at least one cooking parameter that is adapted

to be preset for the predetermined cooking program or predetermined cooking mode of operation, the cooking parameter having a value that reflects at least one of the geographic location of the cooking device and the selectable operating language of the cooking device, wherein the value of the cooking parameter defines an environmental cooking condition inside the cooking device for the predetermined cooking program or predetermined cooking mode of operation; and

a control element communicatively connected to the input and the control or regulating unit, the control element including at least one modification function element and at least one confirmation or storage function element;

the modification function element being operable to modify the preset cooking parameter; and

the confirmation or storage function element being operable by an operator of the cooking device to affirmatively confirm, accept, or store the modified cooking parameter during a predetermined time period, wherein the modified cooking parameter is confirmed, accepted, or stored by the cooking device through (1) operation of the confirmation or storage function element by the operator during the predetermined time period, and (2) if the predetermined time period has elapsed and the operator has not operated the confirmation or storage function element with regard to the modified cooking parameter, the cooking device automatically confirms, accepts, or stores the modified cooking parameter,

wherein the control element is configured to receive information via the input and to automatically preset the cooking parameter as a function of a selected operating language of the cooking device.

31. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 30, wherein the control element is further configured to adjust the predetermined time period.

32. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 31, wherein the predetermined time period is approximately one second to approximately thirty seconds after the last activation of the control element.

33. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 30, further comprising predetermined unchangeable limits within which the at least one modification function element is configured to modify the cooking parameter.

34. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 33, wherein the predetermined unchangeable limits are preset based on the selected operating language of the cooking device.

35. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 30, wherein the cooking device includes a plurality of cooking parameters and the control element is configured to preset all of the cooking parameters as a function of the selected operating language of the cooking device.

36. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 30, wherein the confirmation or storage function element is operable to automatically confirm, accept, or store the modified cooking parameter after the predetermined time period lapses.

37. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 30, wherein the environmental cooking condition is at least one of temperature, humidity, and time of cooking.

38. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 30, wherein the modification function element is at least one of a dial, display, and a touch screen.

39. (New) A cooking device, comprising:
an input configured to receive information regarding at least one of a geographic location of the cooking device and a selectable operating language of the cooking device;

a control or regulating unit configured to implement a predetermined cooking program or a predetermined cooking mode of operation using at least one cooking parameter that is adapted to be preset for the predetermined cooking program or predetermined cooking mode of operation, the cooking parameter having a value that reflects at least one of the geographic location of the cooking device and the selectable operating language of the cooking device, wherein the value of the cooking parameter defines an environmental cooking condition inside the cooking device for the predetermined cooking program or predetermined cooking mode of operation; and

a control element communicatively connected to the input and the control or regulating unit, the control element including at least one modification function element and at least one confirmation or storage function element;

the modification function element being operable to modify the preset cooking parameter; and

the confirmation or storage function element being operable by an operator of the cooking device to affirmatively confirm, accept, or store the modified cooking parameter during a predetermined time period, wherein the modified cooking parameter is confirmed, accepted, or stored by the cooking device through (1) operation of the confirmation or storage function element by the operator during the predetermined time period, and (2) if the predetermined time period has elapsed and the operator has not operated the confirmation or storage function element with regard to the modified cooking parameter, the cooking device automatically confirms, accepts, or stores the modified cooking parameter,

wherein the control element is configured to receive information via the input and to automatically preset the cooking parameter as a function of the geographic location of the cooking device and the selected operating language of the cooking device.

40. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 39, wherein the control element is further configured to adjust the predetermined time period.

41. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 40, wherein the predetermined time period is approximately one second to approximately thirty seconds after the last activation of the control element.

42. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 39, further comprising predetermined unchangeable limits within which the at least one modification function element is configured to modify the cooking parameter.

43. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 42, wherein the predetermined unchangeable limits are preset based on the location of the cooking device and the selected operating language of the cooking device.

44. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 39, wherein the cooking device includes a plurality of cooking parameters and the control element is configured to preset all of the cooking parameters as a function of the location of the cooking device and the selected operating language of the cooking device.

45. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 39, wherein the input comprises a locating system that is configured to automatically detect the location of the cooking device.

46. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 45, wherein the control element is configured to automatically preset the cooking parameter as a function of the location detected by the locating system.

47. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 39, wherein the geographic location of the cooking device is a country-specific location.

48. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 39, wherein the confirmation or storage function element is operable to automatically confirm, accept, or store the modified cooking parameter after the predetermined time period lapses.

49. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 39, wherein the environmental cooking condition is at least one of temperature, humidity, and time of cooking.

50. (New) The cooking device according to Claim 39, wherein the modification function element is at least one of a dial, display, and a touch screen.